



The present Charleston Ward Chapel, constructed from 1949 to 1951 and dedicated February 18, 1951 by Elder Mark F. Petersen of the Council of the Twelve. Built while H. Fred Price was ward bishop.

The auxiliary organizations of the Church have played a great role in the lives of Charleston Ward members. Those who have lead these organizations through the years include the following:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Joseph R. Murdock, first superintendent, sustained Jan. 1, 1879 and served until 1880. Other superintendents were: John H. Murdock, 1880-1882; Emmanuel Richman, 1882-1888; William Daybell, 1888-1901; D. A. Broadbent, 1901; James Ritchie, 1901-1907; Joseph S. Wright, 1907; John O. Edwards, 1907-1908; Joseph S. Wright, 1908-1911; Stephen A. Simmons, 1911-1918; T. Fred Winterton, 1918-1930; H. Fred Price, 1930-1939; Glen L. Farnsworth, 1939-1943; Bert Carlson, 1943-1947; Eldon D. Wright, 1947-1949; Vern Thacker, 1950-51; J. Fred Price, 1951-58; George Mullestein, 1958-.

PRIMARY ASSOCIATION: Esther Richmond Dabbling, first president, sustained Sept. 7, 1879 and served until Aug. 4, 1883; Agnes McGhee, 1883-1885; Jane Taylor, 1885-1886; Annie Daybell, 1886-1888; Dora Simmons, 1882-1892; Maggie J. Murdock, 1892-1895; Dora Simmons, 1895-1901; Lucy A. Jacobs, 1901-1903; Maud Simmons Bates, 1903-1904; Phebe E. Daybell, 1904-1908; Sarah E. Murdock, 1908-1909; Marian E. Carlile, 1909-1912; Mable R. Henline, 1912-1929; Floretta Allen, 1929-1930; Mazie Watson, 1930; Violet Wright Whiting, 1930-1933; Vivian Turner Wright, Leila Edwards, Maurine Carlson, 1941-1943;

MURDOCK, E. Nymphas variation, one of the Utah pioneers of 1847, was born May 12, 1833, at Hamilton, Madison county, N. Y., the son of Joseph Murdock and Sally Stacey. Together with his father's family



he participated in the exodus from Nauvoo in 1846, and after spending the winter of 1846-47 at Winter Quarters, he started for the Valley in the spring of 1847, crossing the plains in Capt. Ira Eldredge's fifty, which was the first company to arrive in the Valley after the pioneer company. He married Melissa Barney Oct. 21, 1854. She was the daughter of Royal Barney and Sarah Bowen of Estabrook of Amherst, Ohio, and came to Utah in 1852. In 1857 (Nov. 12th) he married Esther Maria Davis, daughter of Franklin Judson Davis and Anna Richmond. Following are the names of his children by his first wife: Nymphas Cordion, Sarah Melissa, Joseph Royal and Betsey Emeline. The children by his second wife were Franklin Judson, Stanley, Unice Louisa, Alva Nymphas, Alphonso J., Annie Maria, Frederick, Ella Maria and Melissa. Bro. Nymphas also married Elizabeth Chadwick Green (a former wife of Alphonso Green) Oct. 2, 1912. Bro. Murdock was ordained successively

to the office of Deacon, Teacher, Priest, Elder, Seventy, High Priest and Bishop. From July 15, 1877, to 1891 he acted as Bishop of the Charleston Ward, where he settled in 1864; and to which place he had moved his family in 1865. In 1867-68 he filled a mission to the Eastern States. He participated in the early troubles in Utah, taking part in the so-called Echo canyon war in 1857 and later in the Walker and Black Hawk Indian wars; he was a member of the company known in early Utah days as minutemen. At Charleston particularly he took a most active part in all matters pertaining to the improvement and upbuilding of the place. He was one of the organizers of the co-operative store there, and was throughout one of Utah's representative men. He was ordained a Patriarch April 6, 1901, by Apostle Abraham O. Woodruff and in 1908 became a resident of Heber City, Utah, where he died April 29, 1917.